

Sedalia Evening Democrat.

NEW SERIES.

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A SAD STORY.

THE CLOSING CHAPTER IN A WOMAN'S LIFE.

Betrayed and Deserted—The Old, Old Tale of a Woman's Love and a Man's Treachery.

Of all crimes deserving the extreme penalty of the law, even to capital punishment, the betrayal of a young woman's honor is certainly one of them.

Whether reared in the seclusion of country homes or surrounded by the influences of city life, our young women are constantly exposed to the Briareus-armed monster that constantly seeks to strangle virtue.

Bethel Homes and Midnight Missions, in a general sense, are but places where the last sad rites of respect are paid to our daughters and sisters. Vice, like a slimy worm, has stolen away the bloom of the lily, and the bright smiles of love and hope are darkened for eternity.

Our charities are not practical enough.

We too often take the ordinary conditions of life to be inevitable. So long as the black fingers do not grasp our throats, we are content to let the morgue, the asylum and the police court be filled with our country's womanhood.

Strike a vital blow. It can be proven to a reasonable extent, from a physiological standpoint, that man is aggressive and woman defensive.

Pass along the streets at night and see the haggard, care-worn faces and the eyes wild with unnatural fever. These curls, damp with the night dew, were once pressed by the soft, white tenderness of a mother's hand.

Where are the causes of such horrors?

Some of these causes occupy positions of trust, many received in society, but none chained in the living hell of their victims.

Is this right?

Somewhere out beyond the quiet depths of the evening star sits a Supreme Judge who says it is not. Are our laws sufficiently stringent? The answer will be left to the reader.

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An instance of well bestowed charity has recently been shown in the case of Miss Maud Franklin who it will be remembered, came to Sedalia some time last June in search of one John Hawkins, her betrayer.

Miss Franklin came from Toronto, Canada, where she had been reared in a good home and had been graduated from a prominent female academy about a year. She had a beautiful and refined face, was an accomplished musician and mentally brilliant. Her gentle and ladylike manners, her kindness of heart and her winning ways won for her many friends who were not influenced by her misfortune alone.

She came with her mother, but no appeal of the broken-hearted girl could cause the villain who had brought about her ruin to keep his lying promise of marriage and make a wife of the woman he had betrayed.

Hawkins lost his position at the general offices and left town branded as a scoundrel and a cur. The old adage, "it never rains, but it pours," came true with Miss Franklin. Her father, a wealthy citizen of Toronto, disowned her. She ran short of money, but was taken care of by charitable people. Five months ago a little girl was born, to which the mother has become strongly attached. Her mother wrote and said that if she would desert the child she could return home. This Miss Franklin refused to do.

Who can fathom the infinite mysteries of motherhood?

Her mother has shown herself almost bereft of the ordinary principles of humanity. She instructed the people with whom the young lady has been staying to "turn her out of the house on the street and then she would be compelled to come home!" Her benefactors represented her mother's words with scorn and ordered the woman from their house. She returned to Canada yesterday, having been here about ten days.

During all these long, weary months the young lady's trouble has preyed upon her and almost crushed out her life. She has made a little money by instructing a few private pupils, but on the whole was unable to make her living and was housed and fed by a noble, generous-hearted lady, Mrs. C. P. Scow, at 537, East Fourth street.

During the past few days her mind began to wander and, with a deeper madness than Ophelia's, she would steal from her bed in the dark hours

of the night and arouse the sleepers by softly singing and playing on the piano the old sweet songs she had learned in the long, sweet ago of girlhood.

She was taken to St. Vincent's asylum in St. Louis last night. Her babe is being taken care of by Mrs. Scow.

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Hawkins has sunk to the depths, it is said, and is working on the streets in St. Louis. What good man or noble woman will ever speak to such as he or fail to pray that vengeance will at last overtake all such transgressors!

A LIGHT VOTE.

The Proposition to Issue Bonds for Jail Probably Carried.

The election to decide whether or not Pettis county should have a new jail is passing off very quietly. All the interest taken is in favor of issuing bonds to the amount of \$35,000 for the purpose. At 3 o'clock 1209 had been cast of which 1105 were for and 53 against the proposition. It is not believed that the vote outside of town will be large, and the election will probably decide for the jail.

Smithton Against It.

Special to the Democrat:

SMITHTON, Dec. 29, 2:56 p. m.—The vote is very light. Up to this time 82 have voted against the appropriation and 13 for it.

Green Ridge a Stand-Off.

Special to the Democrat:

GREEN RIDGE, Dec. 29, 3:45 p. m.—The vote here on the jail proposition is light, only about 100 cast. The vote is about a stand off.

Lamonte's Vote.

Special to the Democrat:

LAMONTE, Mo., Dec. 29, 4:10 p. m.—Voting slow, about 130 cast, about 40 for and about 90 against the proposition. The farmers are mostly voting against the proposition. Everything very quiet. There will not be more than 175 votes cast in all.

Nihilists Captured.

Wholesale Arrests Made at Warsaw of Those Implicated in the Plot.

ST. PETERSBURG, Dec. 28.—The police have been displaying much activity of late, more particularly in Russian Poland, and a very large number of arrests have been made. One of the arrested at Warsaw was the Polish historian, Vladislav Smolensky. No charges against the persons taken were given out, but it was surmised they were implicated in some way in designs against the government, or, in other words, that they were plotting against the life of the czar.

This surmise has proved to be correct, for it has transpired to-day that the arrests were the result of the discovery of the existence of a secret league, the object of which was to assassinate the czar. It is not known how many persons have been taken into custody in connection with this latest plot against the life of the czar, but enough has come to light to show that the haul made by the police has been very extensive. It is believed that further arrests will shortly be made at the frontiers.

Jeff Davis' Bond Stolen.

An Important and Historical Bond Missing From the Court Records.

RICHMOND, Va., Dec. 28.—It has become known that the bond given the United States Government by Jefferson Davis, to answer to the Circuit Court in this city for treason, is missing from the court records.

This paper bears the signatures of Horace Greely, John Minor Batts, Gerritt Smith and other prominent persons.

The present clerk of the Circuit Court, M. F. Pleasants, who was chief clerk of the Department of Justice in Washington at the time of his appointment to his position in 1870, found that the document was missing soon after his advent as clerk, and ever since he has made diligent efforts to find it, but without success. He has many offers for the original or a fac simile of the paper, one of the most tempting being from a magazine.

He told a reporter to-day that he had a suspicion of the thief, but declined to say anything about the person except that the person was dead.

He Murdered His Family.

NASHVILLE, Dec. 28.—Lem Jones was hanged at Olive Springs this morning for the murder of his wife and children on June 26, 1890. The prisoner had been county superintendent of schools and deacon in the Baptist church, and every effort was made to have a respite granted, but the governor refused to favor him.

THE EXTRA SESSION.

Ex-Chief-Judge Norton Writes to Governor Francis on the Subject.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Dec. 28.—Governor Francis this morning received the following letter from ex-Chief-Judge Elijah H. Norton of the supreme Court relative to the necessity of convening a special session of the legislature in order to validate the electoral vote of Missouri.

PLATTE CITY, Dec. 4.—Hon. D. R. Francis, Jefferson City: Dear Sir—I am in receipt of your favor of the 29th ult., in which you request to know my opinion as to the construction of section 2,359 of our Revised Statutes, which reads as follows: "When any new apportionment shall be made of the members to be elected to the House of Representatives of the United States whereby the number of Electors to which this state may be entitled shall be increased or diminished, it shall be the duty of the governor to lay off the state into as many electoral districts as shall be equal to the number of electors to which this state may be entitled, so that the said districts contain, as near as may be, an equal number of inhabitants."

Under section 1 article 2 of the constitution of the United States, each state is entitled to appoint or elect a number of electors equal to the whole number of senators and representatives to which the state may be entitled in the congress, and such electors are to be chosen in such manner as the legislature thereof may direct. The above section establishes the rule for the ascertainment of the number of electors to which any state may be entitled, and applying it to the new apportionment made by the last congress, our state is entitled to seventeen electors, instead of sixteen, under the old or former apportionment. The number of electors to which the state is entitled under the new apportionment having been thus increased, the contingency authorizing you to perform the duty imposed by section 2,359 of the revised statutes of laying off the state into electoral districts has happened or exists. In the performance of this duty the statute expressly provides in plain and unambiguous language that the number of electoral districts into which the state shall be laid off shall be equal to the number of electors to which the state may be entitled, and that the districts shall contain as near as may be an equal number of inhabitants. As the state under the new apportionment is entitled to seventeen Electors, I think it clear that if you enter upon the duty imposed by the statute the number of Electoral districts into which you lay it off must be equal to the number of Electors to which the State is entitled.

There is no ambiguity in the words of the statute, and when such is the case, no rule of construction is more firmly established than that the plain and ordinary meaning is to be applied to them.

I can see no reason for apprehending that the electoral vote of the state will not be counted should the state be divided into electoral districts as provided in said section 2,359, and should the electors be chosen by the voters of the state in conformity with the requirements of sections 2,361-2,365 revised statutes. Respectfully yours,

E. H. NORTON.

GERMANY'S MINISTERS.

Many Changes Among Germany's Diplomatic Representatives.

BERLIN, Dec. 29.—The North German Gazette announces, upon what it considered good authority, this morning, that Dr. Von Holleben, at present German minister to Japan, will be sent to Washington to take the place of the late Count Areo Valle, and Baron Von Gutzschhau, German minister to Chili, will be transferred to Tokio as successor of Dr. Von Holleben. Dr. Von Minckler, secretary of the German legation at Constantinople, will probably be made minister to Mexico.

Gilbert Islands Submerged.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 28.—Advices from the South Seas give startling news from the Gilbert Islands in the Pacific by the mission bark John Williams now at Samoa. Just before the bark visited the group very severe weather prevailed, during which there were several tidal upheavals, the result, doubtless, of submarine disturbances. Tidal waves broke high over some of the islands of the group, causing great

loss of life and completely demolishing houses.

At one island alone, the Rev. J. W. Hills, of the London Missionary Society writes, no fewer than eighty natives perished. The track of the tidal waves is not known, but as the Gilbert group has suffered so severely it is scarcely probable that other islands have escaped devastation, and further information is anxiously looked for.

The Gilbert Islands, or the Kingsmill group, consist of fifteen islands of coral formation, all low, the highest land in the group not exceeding twenty feet, and are fast wearing away by the action of the sea.

A STOLEN MARCH.

Capt. L. L. Bridges Wins a Bride in Washington.

Sedalians will experience no small surprise when they learn that the brilliant Capt. L. L. Bridges has stolen a march on the fair ladies of this city and is about to lead a Washington belle to the matrimonial altar. Capt. Bridges has a host of friends here and throughout the state who will join with the DEMOCRAT in wishing him long life and happiness in the wedded state. Following is the dispatch received this morning:

Special to the Democrat.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—Lucius L. Bridges and Margaret N. Timken were this afternoon granted a marriage license. The groom is from Sedalia, Mo., and well known in Missouri politics. He now holds the position of chief law clerk of the pension department.

Wants to be a Diplomat.

LONDON, Dec. 29.—It is currently reported that the government has received information from Lord Randolph Churchill that he is desirous of entering the diplomatic service, and rumor adds that it is probable he will be appointed British ambassador to St. Petersburg in place Sir R. B. D. Morier, who holds the position at present. The Standard to-day, while crediting the report, declares the appointment of Lord Randolph Churchill to a diplomatic position would be a rash experiment. The St. James Gazette speaks in a similar vein and hopes the scheme will be nipped in the bud.

Spreading Its Arms.

CHICAGO, Dec. 28.—Dr. Keeley to-day purchased thirty acres on the shore of Lake Michigan, a little north of this city. He proposes to erect there several immense structures for dipsomaniaics. The Dwight Illinois establishment will be retained as an auxiliary. J. B. Hobbs the well-known prohibitionist, was the owner of the Chicago tract.

New French Minister.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—M. Patenotre, the new minister from France, arrived here last evening and called this morning at the state department, where he was introduced to Secretary Blaine and Assistant Secretary Wharton. He has not yet been presented to the President but a reception has been arranged for to-morrow.

Lincoln for Governor.

ROCKFORD, Ill., Dec. 29.—A. M. Jones, better known as "Long Jones," said in an interview that the race for governor at present is a free for all, but in the event of Robt. T. Lincoln's return from England next spring, all other aspirants will give way to him as the nominee of the republican party.

SHUBUTAH, Miss., Dec. 28.—The latest from the seat of war in Choctaw is that John Sims, a brother of Bob, who has not before participated in Bob's lawlessness, was arrested late Saturday night because letters in Bob's house implicated him. It is believed he was lynched before he reached the jail.

Died of Heart Disease.

CHICAGO, Dec. 29.—Malcom Caruthers, a prominent member of the Chicago bar, and son of Judge J. P. Caruthers, died very suddenly of heart disease yesterday morning aged 43.

Goes to Jail.

JOE McGuire, arrested a few days ago for stealing a silver watch from A. M. Lovins, of East Sedalia, valued at \$20, was tried before Judge Levens this afternoon and fined \$10 and costs, amounting to a total of \$27.40. He will spend several weeks as the guest of Sheriff Smith.

Out of Jail.

Fred Fields was released from jail to-day after serving a sentence of 28 days for petit larceny.

Small Fire.

The hose company were called to a building owned by Bryson Brown, opposite Jerry Sullivan's saloon, on Third street, at noon to-day. The fire was in the roof and the damage slight. \$10 will cover the loss.

SEASON 1892.

New Stock of Wall Paper!

We have secured our new stock of Wall Paper and Decorations for the year of 1892, and we invite you to call and see it. We can show you a finer and larger stock than we ever have in the past. We have secured the services of Mr. H. D. Case for our Wall Paper department. He having had 12 years' experience in the largest wall paper houses of the west, would be pleased to show you the new designs in Wall Paper.

F. H. EASTEY, 208 Ohio Street.

LOYAL TO ENGLAND.

The Indian National Congress in Session at Nagpoor.

LONDON, Dec. 29.—Dispatches received here to-day from Nagpoor, capital of the Central Indian provinces, reports proceeding of Indian national congress which opened to-day. Eight hundred delegates and four thousand visitors were present. The chairman of the reception committee in welcoming the delegates spoke in high terms of British rule in India, saying the people were loyal to England and sincerely attached to the government. A Brahmin named Charles was elected president of the congress.

FATAL ACCIDENT.

CHICAGO, Dec. 29.—Andrew Johnson and John Allere, employed as carpenters on the electrical building at the World's Fair grounds, were killed by a falling derrick last night at the exposition grounds.

THE GRAND OLD MAN.

Celebration of Gladstone's Eighty-Second Birthday.

LONDON, Dec. 29.—The eighty-second anniversary of William Gladstone's birthday which occurs today, will be celebrated by an official banquet at Chester, near which city is Gladstone's residence.

Murdered in Jail.

KANSAS CITY, Dec. 28.—Grant Merity, a colored boy waiting in jail pending his trial for grand larceny, died to-day from the effects of a blow upon the skull with a soda water bottle in the hands of his cell mate, William Wilson. Wilson has been arrested for murder.

TELEGRAPH BREVITIES.

An unknown vandal " pied" the office of the Arkansas Echo, a new German paper at Little Rock, Ark.

Geo. L. Longley, 22 years old, is charged with killing two traveling companions near Wilburton, I. T.

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"I would earnestly advise them for their good to order this paper to be punctually served up and to be looked upon as a part of the tea equipage."—ADDISON.

THE MAN FOR THE PLACE.

The DEMOCRAT learns that the many friends of Mr. Ed. R. Marvin will ask his appointment to the position of clerk of the supreme court made vacant by the death of Capt. J. D. Conner.

As a democrat and a gentleman of rare business qualifications, Mr. Marvin is known generally to the people of the state; but it is the people of Sedalia who know him most intimately, and in his candidacy he has their endorsement to a man.

His long experience and extraordinary efficiency in clerical work, his remarkable energy and his untiring industry render him unquestionably the best qualified man in the state for the place. We realize that this is a strong statement, but it is true nevertheless and is the deliberate judgment of those who have most closely observed Mr. Marvin's work.

As a democrat and a party worker he deserves the honor sought, and he will carry with him the endorsement of the entire bar of Sedalia, republicans as well as democrats.

The DEMOCRAT joins Mr. Marvin's army of friends in asking this honor for him and assures the judges who have the appointment to make that they can find no better or more worthy man for the position.

WELL RECEIVED.

The DEMOCRAT has met a cordial welcome in Sedalia, even more cordial than the managers had counted upon.

In the matter of subscription, especially, has the growth of the paper been phenomenal, in spite of the delays incident to the establishment of a new paper in a new building.

Yesterday the edition of the DEMOCRAT was exhausted in supplying the city routes and our exchanges could not be supplied; this, too, when we thought we had made ample allowance for any probable increase in circulation.

This is encouraging to the management, for it shows that there is an opening in Sedalia for just such a newspaper as the DEMOCRAT intends to become.

THE Post-Dispatch remarks that frequently Mr. E. D. Crawford, of this city, is favorably spoken of as the republican nominee for secretary of state. Mr. Crawford is a genial gentleman, a shrewd politician and an able journalist, and certainly deserves the honor of a place on his party's ticket. Of course a nomination on the republican ticket involves considerable work with no prospect of election, but it is honor to be selected as the standard bearer of political party, and Mr. Crawford's services to his party certainly entitle him to any compliments that are to be bestowed.

The DEMOCRAT is for Sedalia, even in the matter of republican nominations.

Drowned Before Their Mother

PARIS, Mo., Dec. 28.—Two sons of Mr. Ed. Delaney, living six miles northwest of Paris, while playing on the ice on his pond, broke through and drowned before they could be rescued, although their mother saw them as they went down.

Spotted Fever Epidemic.

DUFFAN, Tex., Dec. 28.—An epidemic of meningitis, or spotted fever, is raging around Duffan. Within the last few days there have been three cases, all resulting fatally.

THE Post-Dispatch wants an extra session of the legislature to redistrict the state, and, incidentally,

if possible, smear, worry or harass certain state officials. However, the P.-D. has a happy faculty of not getting what it wants when it gets in one of its vicious moods.

SEDALIA democrats are doing the right thing in taking steps to thoroughly organize the party in the city and county. The plan of organization is the most practical we have seen and we are confident it will become popular wherever tried.

KANSAS politicians are after the senatorial appointment with an avidity that indicates a widespread suspicion that the only way a Kansas republican can get into the senate hereafter is by appointment.

JUDGE NORTON, in a letter to Governor Francis, expresses the opinion that Missouri will not lose its electoral vote should the governor do the work of re-districting the state.

SEDALIA cannot afford to neglect the opportunity she enjoys of becoming a manufacturing center. With a little effort a great deal can be accomplished in this direction.

No democrat should neglect to join the democratic club. If the party principles are right their dissemination is certainly worth an effort.

THE United States will ask indemnity from Russia for the uncouthous treatment of American sailors.

So the republican party is split in Louisiana, too. The lottery fiend gets in his work on both parties alike.

COWBOYS RUN A TRAIN.

They Put a Chicago Drummer Off, and Made Young Ladies Sing.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Dec. 28.—A half-dozen cowboys took possession of the south-bound passenger train on the International and Great Northern road, forty miles north of here, last night. They boarded the train at Buda Station, and their first act was to force a Chicago drummer off the moving train because he wore a "red cravat and high silk hat."

They then continued their depredations by making a number of young ladies in the Pullman coach sing for them. They enforced all their demands with drawn pistols. They ruled the train for twenty miles, when they slipped off at a way station.

Got His Prisoner.

Deputy Constable J. M. Short, of Jackson county, arrived on the morning train from Warsaw having in custody Wm. Pollard, a young farmer of that place, charged with stealing wheat and belonging to a gang of thieves operating near Lee's Summit.

Pollard is a young man 17 years old and looks to be inexperienced in the ways of the world. The gang of which he is a member have been depredating in the vicinity of Lee's Summit for a couple of months past, stealing whatever they could find. Wheat, corn, harness, saddles etc., were the principle articles taken.

Deputy Constable Short says that the authorities are closing in upon the culprits and that a number of arrests have been made.

Wants to be Governor.

ROCHEPORT, Mo., Dec. 28.—Dr. Pope Yeaman was in town Saturday. He put a quietus on the many speculations as to his political intentions by authorizing the Rocheport Commercial to state that he has entered the race for gubernatorial honors in 1892 and will make a thorough canvass of the state.

The last square piano for sale at a sacrifice at Sharp's music house. This offer is made in order to close stock out by January 1st.

Entirely too Fresh.

The morning paper that endeavored to question the truth of the DEMOCRAT's statement concerning the kite-shaped track question is entirely too fresh.

The DEMOCRAT can verify what it said and trusts that the committee will avail themselves of the information given last evening.

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CHARITY BALL.**A Member of the Alliance Defends the Ministers.**

To the Editor of the Democrat:

Not wishing to engage in any newspaper controversy, the Minister's Alliance has refrained from replying to its many self-constituted critics concerning the action taken by the alliance relating to the so-called charity ball. But a few words of explanation by one of the alliance may not be out of place.

Enough of the ridiculous has been furnished by our faultfinders to make their contributions on the subject very amusing to us, did they not reveal so much that is sad. For no better evidence is needed to show that the critics and the committee are strangers to our churches and to the historic teachings of our pulpits, church literature and discipline upon the pernicious influence of the ball room.

The Baptist and Episcopal churches are no exception to this, as the deliverances of these bodies given forth again and again against the influence of the public ball abundantly testify.

The clergy of the alliance were simply voicing the well known deep sentiment of the Christian world upon the subject and were consistently faithful to their own teachings and preaching and to the principles of their respective churches.

Any questionable entertainments of which our various churches may have been guilty heretofore are deprecated by none more than by the clergy. We had no opportunity of knowing what those entertainments were until after they were given when public condemnation would have done no good. The offence was never repeated. In each case we were made to believe that the entertainment was legitimate and harmless. But with our general knowledge of the public ball we could justly have been branded as moral cowards had we not spoken publicly our disapproval. Moreover, so far as seen or heard from, in no church entertainment given in Sedalia were men and women seen promiscuously in each other's arms.

We did not expect to escape criticism or even vilification, for we, have never pretended to take our morals either from the votaries of the ball or the Sedalia Gazette, which takes so much pleasure in misrepresenting and abusing the preachers.

We did not expect to break up the ball, though we have been much gratified by the loyalty our people manifested toward us as their pastors. A few had bought tickets but afterwards apologized for it as a simple business transaction on the ground of encouragement to the hospital enterprise, themselves not expecting to attend or countenance the ball.

Our critics express "great surprise" and even a "shock" at the stand taken by the ministers. Yet it is well known the members of our churches had not only before hand warned the committee of the certain opposition of the clergy, but such members themselves refused to buy tickets and also withdrew from all connections with the enterprise because the giving of the ball was persisted in. The committee with only half sight could well know that by using such means, instead of so far as possible conserving the utmost harmony and unity, a condition immensely desirable in so noble an enterprise they would only court strife and division.

By flying into the face of deep religious convictions of the Christian ministers and people of our churches they have needlessly alienated a large percentage of those people who are usually the most active and generous supporters of such institutions as the hospital.

We did not in this action set ourselves up as spiritual dictators, or expect to control the conscience or dictate the action of outsiders or institute a boycott upon the hospital enterprise. But, as spiritual guides and shepherds over the young and tender of our flocks, for whose instruction and conduct we are held of God responsible, we felt it our bounden duty to raise the warning cry. The fact nevertheless remains that 9 out of every 10 who go down into a life of shame go because of the dance-hall and the befouling atmosphere of the public ball.

We are told by way of argument and proof that "people have always danced and always will"; so have they always profaned, blasphemed, stolen, etc.; so they have always gone to the devil; so they always will; it must, therefore, be right. To our critics, who have taken pleasure in lauding themselves and their ilk as the only charitably-disposed people in the city and as self-styled interpreters have overwhelmed us in quoting scripture for our benefit, we would say that a little of that charity of which they so vaunt their superabundance would not hurt the ball or the hospital and would be none the less to the unfortunate poor if exercised somewhat even towards the clergy. Were it not for the recent words and action of these people it would be scarcely necessary for us to state that we are and ever have been in heartiest accord with the movement contemplating a hospital; have taken pains to announce and endorse it from our pulpits and give it every encouragement possible, tho' we have never been consulted, nay rather totally ignored in regard to the matter. Again the Ministers' Alliance of Sedalia though in hearty accord with the purpose of providing a Charity Hospital in our city, is unanimous in its decided disapprobation of such means as the proposed charity ball for raising funds. Because

1. We have not gone so far to the Jesuits as to believe "that the end justifies the means," and in this case the means have always been looked upon by the spiritually inclined as very questionable to say the least, not only in the abbreviation of dress worn on such occasions with the evident purpose of awaking unholiness and lascivious passions which are fed still more by the suggestive "contact" which to a large extent constitutes the primal pleasure of the dance (if this is not believed to be true, also because of the lecherous presence of the "rake" and the "deb-auchee," in more polite parlance called "our society young men" whom we would not tolerate in our homes, but whose touch is as foul as that of a leper and into whose embrace the public dance will place the pure daughters of our firesides. "Charity doth not behave itself unseemly." "Wisdom is first of all pure."

2. There are better methods of raising money; one is to reach down into the pocket and give it outright, instead of deceiving oneself into charity or giving to the poor when one is only administering to ones own gratification. This last method is not only costly, only a small percentage going for the poor and a large percentage in society dissipation, the display of dress and no sacrifice being involved, it ministers to selfishness.

3. Or a course of popular lectures, concerts and other legitimate entertainments might have been arranged for by this same committee. This would have conserved harmony and good feeling and moreover proved an elevating mental and moral stimulus. It is no doubt a truth that people exercise that of which they have the most, but we think the good ladies have misjudged Sedalia's people in taking it for granted that they had more feet than brains.

4. We have some pride in the city. The ball method is too countryfied. It has been in vogue in the country from time immemorial for raising money because it appealed to the animal. It may do for the back counties or the semi-civilized, but not for a city of cultured Christian people who are ambitious for metropolitan airs.

5. Because we have learned from observation and it is the testimony of the clergy almost universally, that the dancing Christians are the dangerous Christians, the lukewarm, cold and backsliders exerting a pernicious influence and, by introducing a spirit of worldliness into the church, make others like them selves.

Such cannot be depended on in revivals, in the Sunday school or prayer meeting, or in the active work of the church; the more of such the church has the weaker and worse it is.

6. The whole trend of the New Testament teaching is against the ball room and its unhallowed influences in that it requires of the Christian a separated life. He lives as a changed man under a new law, "being a new creature, old things are passed away; behold all things are become new." "If the world hate you, ye know that it hated me before it hated you. If ye were of the world the world would love his own, but because ye are not of the world, but I have chosen you out of the world, therefore the world hateth you" "and in nothing terrified by your adversaries; which is to them an evident token of perdition, but to you of salvation and that of God."

ONE OF THE ALLIANCE.**BAD WRECK.****A Freight Conductor Killed in a Collision.**

COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 28.—A bad wreck occurred on the B. & O., near Chicago junction, early this morning. Passenger train No. 6, limited, ran into the rear of section two of a freight which was behind time, killing Freight Conductor Elias.

Our Christmas stock of Accordions, Violins, Harps, Guitars, Banjos, etc. came too late for the rush, therefore we are cutting our price below any bogus sensation or bankrupt figures. Sharp's C. Mr. M. H. on East Fifth street.

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THE ARIZONA KICKER.**IT IS HAVING A LIVELY TIME AS USUAL.****Events That Have Transpired in His Office of Late—A Curious Coincidence Related—The Weekly Crops of Pleasantries.**

We received word the other day from Col. John Fairbanks, who is running a cañon farm about twenty miles west of town, that he would try and come in some time within a fortnight and shoot us full of lead. The Colonel seems to have got riled because we blasted his political ambition by proving that he sold himself to both parties last year and ought to be rode out of Arizona on three-cornered rail.

We shall be home every day in the week for the next month, and the Colonel needn't mind knocking on the door when he calls. He may just walk right in and begin popping away, and if he down us no one about the office will do anything to prevent his getting away. We can feel our private graveyard just aching for another victim.

TOLD HIM SO.—On several different occasions we have said to Ben Williams through these columns that this town couldn't appreciate a man of his eccentric conduct. Ben didn't believe us. He continued to drink, quarrel and shoot at everybody who differed with him on biblical questions, and last night the boys took him out and gave him four dozen lashes on the bare back and asked him if he wanted a change of climate. He did. He wanted it bad. He was hunting for it when last seen, and if he is wise he won't return here for some years to come.

In this connection it may be well to say a few words to Hank White, who acts as bouncer for the Red Star saloon. He has tried to kill three or four men in the last four weeks, and we believe him to be the party who fired a dead jackass rabbit through our bedroom window one night last week. Unless he makes a great change in his conduct the boys will get up a surprise party on him soon, and their little affairs are never pulled off without some one getting hurt.

LOCATED.—As there was some little misunderstanding as to what had become of the man who stole Gen. Hennessy's white mule from in front of the postoffice the other night, we rode out into the country about three miles yesterday and obtained all possible particulars. The stranger is at present located about four rods to the west of the Raisin Valley trail after it crosses Buffalo Creek, and someone has put up



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See our line of beautiful styles in easy
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Buy something useful for Christmas. New
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And you can drive on the new Telford pavement directly to

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NO DYNAMITE!

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Genuine New Standard Goods!

No Bankrupt Stock BUT THE LOWEST PRICES and the BEST TERMS and the MOST SATISFACTORY GUARANTEES. Don't be seduced by gaudy and improbable promises but buy real, honest goods of an honorable dealer.

SENSATIONAL!

A Dynamite Bomb has Fallen Among the Music Dealers.

The bankrupt stock of "The Temple of Music", 184 Wabash Ave., Chicago, selling below factory wholesale prices. Seventy-five pianos and organs will be shipped to Sedalia and sacrificed. Prices will be positively slaughtered. It is the opportunity of a lifetime to buy an instrument. If you expect to buy next year or the year after, it will pay you to buy now. Many of the pianos and organs are of the highest possible grade, and all are thoroughly warranted by the makers. Call and see them or send for catalogue and prices.

JOHN STARK,
General Wholesale Traveling Agent,
505 Ohio St., Sedalia, Mo.

James O'Brien, the leading cigar manufacturer of Central Missouri.

A Snap.

One organ, "no good," - \$10.00
" " good for beginner, 30.00
" " a good one, - 40.00
" " a splendid one, 50.00

\$125 organ, used three months 87.50

Seeing is believing, at Sharp's, the Central Music House, 112 East Fifth.

SCIENTIFIC WORLD

SOME OF THE LATEST INVENTIONS ILLUSTRATED.

Street Car to be Run by Stored Steam—How to Make Money Fly—A Design for Easels and Other Stands—Science and Progress News.

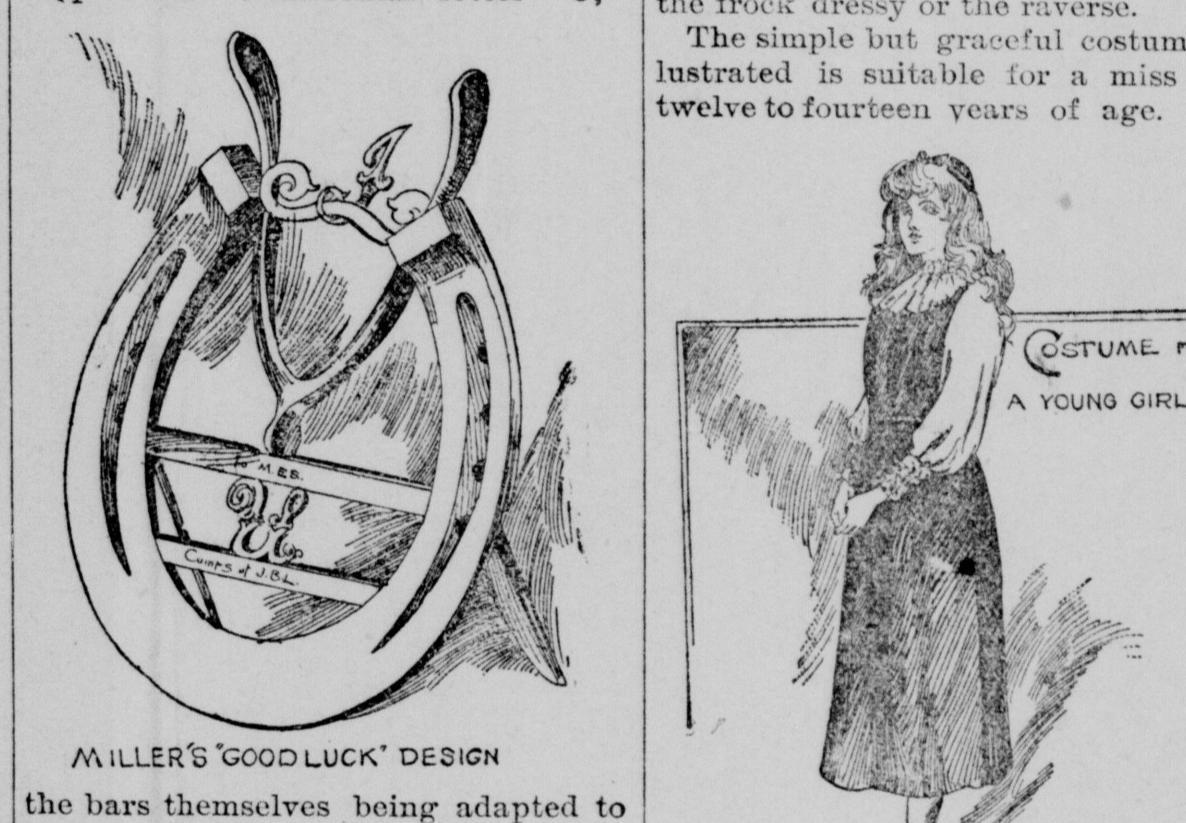
One of the most ingenious letter distributors, especially adapted for apartment houses and large buildings, where each floor is occupied by a different tenant, has been patented by a Swiss inventor. At the lower floor of the house there is placed a little elevator with a receptacle in which the postman places the parcels for each tenant. When a letter or package is placed in this elevator an electric circuit is closed, opening the cock of a water reservoir at the top of the building filling a cylinder, which acts as a counterpoise and raises the elevator.

At each floor there is a simple mechanism which causes the parcel for that place to be deposited in a box, and an electric bell rings to inform the person to whom the mail matter is addressed that there is something in the box. These fixed boxes are locked, so that in the absence of the owners the mail is safely held. When the elevator reaches the top of the building the cylinder is automatically emptied of its water and the elevator returns to the ground floor.

Design for Easels and Stands.

The illustration represents a horse shoe combined with a wishbone to constitute an easel, the design forming the subject of a patent which has been issued to Mr. Frederick J. X. Miller of Olympia, Wash. Between the members of the wishbone at the open end of the horseshoe appears a scroll and an ornamental letter "I," while between transverse bars within the horseshoe is supported an ornamental letter "U,"

The simple but graceful costume illustrated is suitable for a miss from twelve to fourteen years of age. The



MILLER'S GOODLUCK DESIGN
the bars themselves being adapted to receive a suitable inscription indicating the donor and receiver, or other words if preferred, and the whole device signifying "I wish you good luck." The two supports or legs are preferably in the form of horseshoe nails, but these supports may be entirely omitted, and the device suspended by a crescent or other symbol joining the two parts of the wishbone. Paper, metal, celluloid, or a great variety of other material, may be used in the manufacture of this device.

ANOTHER RAFA PRODUCER.

The Scientific American for Sept. 5, 1891, published an extract from a United States patent, granted for producing rain by explosive balloons. It now appears that a patent was granted in Austria on Jan. 13, 1874, for what is termed an "apparatus for discharging electricity from hail from hal clouds." After describing the theory of the formation of hail, the patentee says that if a balloon armed with metal points or covered with metal, is sent up into a lower hail cloud charged with electricity, the latter passes to the earth by the copper wire which holds the balloon captive, and the moisture in the cloud does not congeal but drops to the earth in the form of rain. The drawing annexed to the patent shows a balloon with metallic points and a windlass on which is coiled the wire or cable for forming the ground connection and raising and lowering the balloon.

MAKING MONEY FLY.

Here is another way to make your money fly. All that is wanted is a wineglass of conical shape, as shown by our cut, a quarter of a dollar and a half dollar, or a dollar, according to the size and circumference of the glass. The larger of the coins will form a sort of lid. You may safely stake your ability to make the small coin fly from



the glass without touching either the latter or the large coin, and to do this it is only necessary to blow vigorously sidewise against the top coin. This will have the effect of raising the coin to an upright position in the glass, while the small coin will be driven from the glass by the shock given to the air, before the large coin has time to resume its original position. The small coin will fly in a curve from the glass.

WINTER'S FASHIONS.

COSTUMES SUITABLE FOR THE FAIR ONES.

The Hat Sarah Bernhardt Ordered In Chicago Recently—Costume for a Young Girl—One for a Child—Seen in Fashion's Glass.

Among the trifles of the toilet are the new Terry ties, made of shot silk. They are about eight inches wide and are sold in every shade and combination of two colors. They are intended to tie smartly under the chin in a full soft bow with short ends. A tie of this sort eminently brightens the sombre tone of dark, out-of-door coats, and if well chosen the bit of color improves the wearer's complexion. The silk takes little room beneath the collar, but the bow when tied looks sufficiently important, and is a slight protection also. By this means the dull look characteristic, for instance, of a black cloth coat buttoned to the chin can be considerably enlivened. Sometimes a bright corresponding scarf is carried around the hat, with smart upstanding bows, and quill feathers thrust in at the side.

FOR A YOUNG GIRL.

Guimpe have maintained a place so long in the world of fashion that they may be regarded as a fixture, at least among children's garments. Just at present the popularity of the peasant waist brings the guimp to the fore in a great variety of styles. The vogue of velvets and the sleek plushes which are now so fashionable also has a tendency to popularize the guimp, which is especially effective with goods of this sort. Indeed, this sample accessory is equally a graceful addition to a costume of material either rich or plain, and being inexpensive several of them may be provided for one gown, which, as they are of light or dark material, render the frock dressy or the reverse.

The simple but graceful costume illustrated is suitable for a miss from twelve to fourteen years of age. The



plain skirt and full bodice is of Souris velveteen. The guimp, with its full sleeves and shirring of fancy ribbon, is of pink surah silk. As has already been suggested, guimpe of various materials could be provided to wear with a costume of this kind.

DIMINISHING DRESS TRIMMINGS.

It is curious to note the gradually diminishing trimmings that border fashionable dress skirts. Few extend more than a few inches above the edge. First comes a mere line of fur, real or imitated; then a three-inch band of silk velvet or something similar; and then another heading corresponding to that below, as, for instance, a silver-gray corduroy cloth, with a dark-gray velvet band at the foot, bordered on each side with black velvet trimming—a mere line in fact, with a little narrow silver passementerie dividing the velvet band. Another model of heliotrope amazon cloth has a waved band of black velvet corded with real astrakhan. The nearer the foot of the gown the trimming is kept, the more stylish is the effect produced.

BAIDS TO MATCH THE DRESS.

Silk braids, matching the dress in color, tufted with chenille or dotted with fine jet cabochons are inexpensive yet effective trimmings. A rough braid tufted with astrakhan from one to three inches in width is much used on the new rough-surfaced suitings. Plain wool braids in basket designs, often mixed with gold or bronze threads, are used by dressmakers to decorate simple winter costumes. These braids are crossed in checker-board effects along the edge of the wool gown, or they are set on in rows of waved points, or they can form bars at the corners only. Several plain rows often show at the top varied by a trefoil or quatrefoil set along the edge at even distances, the design being repeated on the bodice front and sleeves.

A CHILD'S DRESS.



This pretty child's costume is of fine cashmere serge, with braided yoke and sleeves. Colored slippers and stockings to match the velvet trimming.

A MATTER OF HONOR.

TRAMP—Here's twenty-five cents. I want ten pay it to you for that free lunch, and then you throw in five glasses of beer. See?

BARTENDER—Twenty-five cents will buy the beer. The lunch is free, you know.

"I don't want 'er that way. I want ter pay a quarter for the lunch and git the beer free. See?"

"It's all one either way. What difference does it make?"

"It's a matter of personal honor, sir. I promised the ole lady wot give me the quarter that I'd spend it fer something to eat. See?"

CHEAPER IN THE END.

BOUTTON—So you are not going to housekeeping when you get married? De Boarder—No. We shall take board for a year.

"Isn't that rather an extravagant way to begin?"

"Not at all. I desire my wife to study economy of my landlady. Then we will start housekeeping and I will make her an allowance of as much a week as we paid for board."

"What do you think will be the result?"

"Well, by the time we are old she ought to have about a million."

SAVING A DROWNING MAN.

MAGISTRATE—You are accused of striking a drowning man a fatal blow with a hammer.

PRISONER—Oi was tryin' t' save his loife, y'r hon. Sure didn't Oi swim him off to help him?

"But you took a hammer along and killed him with it."

"Yis, sor. If ye don't kill 'em the'll grab ye ivery toime, y'r hon."

HE DIDN'T LAUGH.

STRANGER—You are the only gentleman in the room.

GUEST—In what way, sir?

STRANGER—When I tripped in the dance, and went sprawling on the floor, tearing my fair partner's dress, you were the only one in the room who did not laugh.

GUEST—The lady is my wife, and I paid for the dress.

AN INSULTED ALDERMAN.

CONTRACTOR—Did you offer that alderman \$500, as I directed?

SECRETARY—Yes, sir.

"How did he act?"

"He looked insulted."

"What did he say?"

"He said I ought to be in the penitentiary."

"What did he do?"

"He took the money."

THE BANK TELLER'S DREAM.

ST. PETER—You were a bank teller, were you not?

NEW ARRIVAL—Yes, St. Peter.

ST. PETER—Well, people are arriving here by the million billion from all the inhabited planets in the universe. Just trot around among them and hunt up somebody to identify you.

THE SILVER LINING.

EDITOR—Very sorry, Mr. Scribbler, but we find we will have to reduce salaries again.

MR. SCRIBBLER (a man of affairs)—That's all right. One more reduction and they'll be so low that I can afford to start a paper myself.

FOUND HIS LOT.

BOUTTOWN—Where did you go on your vacation?

LASCHANCE—I went out West to look at a corner lot I bought by mail.

"Find it?"

"Yes; went swimming in it."

MADE A BEGINNING.

REV. DE GOODE—My young friend, do you ever go to church?

YOUNG MAN—Um—er—not exactly sir; but I've flirted with the soprano.

AN EXTENDED EXAMINATION.

HE—You are sure I am the only man you ever really and truly loved?

SHÉ—Perfectly sure. I went over the whole list only yesterday.

NO MANAGING.

MRS. GRIMM—How did you manage with your wife away all summer?

MR. GRIMM—Didn't have to manage. Did as I pleased.

A VOLUME IN A WORD.

FRIEND—What became of that young man you were engaged to last summer?

MISS CATCHEM (innocently)—Which one?

DANCING IN THE BARN.

ROOSTER—Can I have the pleasure of the next dance with you?

HEN—Sorry to refuse you, Bill, but I'm engaged for the next set.

THE WEATHER.

Weather for Missouri for twenty-four hours beginning at 8 a. m. today: Generally fair to-day and Wednesday; northwesterly; winds. Slightly colder on Wednesday morning.

SEDALIA HONORED.

Aug. T. Fleischmann Appointed on the State Board of Pharmacy.

Aug. T. Fleischmann, the popular Ohio street druggist, was appointed yesterday by the governor a member of the state board of pharmacy.

The committee is composed of three members, the old one being F. W. Sennewald, P. H. Franklin and W. T. Ford. Mr. Sennewald retains his position. The two other gentlemen will be succeeded by Mr. Fleischmann and Dr. A. R. Edmonds, of Miami. The appointment is usually for three years.

The committee is an important one as will be seen by the fact that it personally prosecutes all violators of the pharmacy laws and examines all applicants for a commission to compound prescriptions in the state. The board meets four times a year, twice in St. Louis, once in Kansas City and once in Jefferson City. Sedalia will now stand a show for one of the quarterly meetings.

Mr. Fleischmann is to be congratulated upon his appointment. It is hard to keep a good man down.

Our First Issue.

We advise all our patrons to go to Dave Ramsay for furniture. He has the stock and prices; he sells the goods. See his stock before you buy. His elegant line catches the eye. See him; buy of him. He will save you money. Undertaker and embalmer; no ice used; modern methods; open day and night. 116 & 118 2nd st.

Installation of Officers.

Last night District Deputy Grand Master O. A. Crandall installed the officers elected for the coming year by Sedalia Lodge No. 236 and Granite Lodge No. 272 A. F. and A. M. John D. Russell was appointed grand marshal for the occasion. The following officers were installed for Sedalia Lodge:

Ira T. Eronson, W. M.; W. H. Willett, S. W.; F. H. Wilson, J. W.; W. E. Bard, treasurer; J. H. Reeves, secretary; W. H. Hogg, S. D.; P. G. Tredway, J. D.; J. H. Mara, S. S. and W. H. Snare, J. S.

Granite Lodge has the following officers: R. C. Wood, W. M.; Geo. Lord, S. W.; A. C. Baldwin, J. W.; J. B. Thompson, treasurer; M. L. Jacobs, secretary; J. A. Teeters, S. D.; F. W. Shultz, J. D.; John Hester, S. S., and M. O. Dowd, J. S. Peter Latsch was installed as tyler for both bodies.

Stockholders' Meeting.

CITIZENS NATIONAL BANK, SEDALIA, Mo., Dec. 24, 1891.

The regular annual election for nine directors of this bank, will be held at the banking rooms on Tuesday, January 12th, 1892. Polls open from 10 a. m. to 2 p. m.

ADAM ITTEL, Cashier.

Arrest the Remainder.

A crowd of small hoodlums have been in the habit for several weeks of congregating upon the street corners to smoke cigarettes and annoy passers by loud and unseemly conversation.

All Avinsino and a boy named Coley were arrested on this charge this morning and fined \$5 by Judge Halstead with a stay for good behavior.

See our Goods and compare prices. We are here, our chairs and Parlor Goods are immense. We have only one price to all; no shoddy goods on hand; only one price and best wishes to all; largest line, lowest prices. See them, for they are going fast. Dave Ramsey, 116 and 118 Second street, Undertaker and Embalmer. No ice and modern methods.

Certificates of Incorporation.

State certificates of incorporation were received at the county recorder's office to-day for the Mutual Savings and Loan Association, capital stock, \$1,000,000, issued to J. N. Dalby, J. H. Bothwell and H. C. Demuth. Also to the Peoples' Bank of Sedalia, capital stock, \$50,000, issued to W. L. Porter, J. C. Van Riper and R. L. Hale.

All Quiet Now.

From the Mexico Intelligencer. Sedalia is all torn up over her charity ball. Sedalia should profit by Mexico's experience—say her say and quit. The gleam of bayonets and the rattle of musketry made the situation in Mexico critical for a time but now "all is quiet along the Potomac."

Dr. J. H. Cody, oculist and aurist. Practice limited to diseases and surgery of the eye and ear and the removing of superfluous hair and facial blemishes. Spectacles adjusted. Office 313 Ohio street, Sedalia, Mo.

A PAIR THAT'S HARD TO BEAT!

Of all combinations that are hard to beat, the strutting turkey and the steaming pudding come pretty near being the most invincible. They are formidable aspirants for public favor in these festive days—but even

Leaders Are Occasionally Led!
AND WE WILL MATCH OUR

Grand Stock of Xmas Goods!

Its Brilliance--Its Variety--Its Elegance.

The Most Bewildering Variety Ever Shown to Make Your Purchases for the Holiday Presents!

It's Essential to Buy a Useful as Well as Ornamental Gift. We Invite the Public at Large to

INSPECT OUR GREAT LAY OUT
FOR THE COMING HOLIDAYS BEFORE YOU MAKE YOUR PURCHASES!

WE ARE SURE TO PLEASE YOU IN OUR MAMMOTH STOCK!

—IN A WORD WE ARE—

THE LEADERS IN EVERY RESPECT!

ST. LOUIS CLOTHING CO.,

CORNER SECOND AND OHIO STREETS.

J. FRENSDORF, - Manager.

PERSONALS.

C. P. Brown is in Nevada. The Emerson piano leads. 112 East Fifth.

F. E. Hoffman, jr., has gone to Topeka on business.

Chas. D. Minter came in from Calhoun this morning.

E. R. Sutherland, from the famed Velasco, Texas, is at Sicher's.

F. E. Hoffman is adjusting insurance claims in Kansas City.

John Boswell and W. E. Files, of Lamonte, were in the city to-day.

C. H. Streit, of the *Gazette*, came in from Moberly to-day.

Traffic Manager A. S. Dodge, of the M. K. & T., is in town to-day.

Drs. S. F. King and I. P. Gunby, of Sherman, Texas, are at Sicher's.

Marshal Prentice has been out of town a few days on secret business.

Go and see the fountain and try a shot at the swinging balls at 207 West Main street.

S. T. Steele, merchant at Elk Lick, Saline county, is in the city buying goods to-day.

Mrs. Cora Bratton returned at noon yesterday to St. Louis after a visit to Mrs. T. W. Best.

G. C. Haub, of Minneapolis, an old school-mate of Superintendent J. J. Frey, was in the city yesterday.

Charley Kobrock, the famous restaurateur, was serving his customers with turtle soup to-day for lunch.

Ticket Agent H. L. Berry and wife went to Kansas City this morning and will visit James A. Masa and family to-day.

The last square piano at a sacrifice for sale at Sharp's music house. This offer is made in order to close stock out by January 1st.

Mrs. T. B. Stephens, mother of Rev. Stephens, of the Cumberland Presbyterian church, went to Hughesville this morning.

Hugh Courtney came in last night on the midnight train from Holden, where he had been to spend Christmas with his parents.

T. W. Best is in Warsaw where he will attend the funeral of I. A. Campbell, proprietor of the Campbell house, who died there last night.

Miss Glessner Moore, a charming young lady from Nevada, returned home this morning after a pleasant visit with Miss Carrie Hinsdale.

Arthur Hunt, of Appleton City, who is now connected with a whole-

sale grocery house of St. Louis, passed through Sedalia last night en route to his post of duty.

Mrs. J. H. Hill will arrive from Parsons in the morning to attend the charity ball.

Miss Anna Mertz went to Kansas City this morning to attend a students reunion of the Oberlin conservatory of music, of Oberlin, Ohio.

Chas. A. McCormick, assistant salesman for the live-stock commission firm of Stewart & Overstreet, of East St. Louis, passed through the city last night en route home.

POLICE COURT.

Ed. Martin was the one "lone soldier" in court this morning, charged with intoxication and fined \$20 with a stay to get out of town within an hour.

Martin is a cripple and was begging upon the streets yesterday, but took the proceeds of charity to get gloriously full.

REAL ESTATE.

W. J. and W. M. Letts sold a lot on the corner of New York avenue and Fifteenth street to Hermann Karhs to-day for \$100.

M. M. Pritchard sold to Jennie M. Barrick, both of Georgetown, lot 15, Wason's addition for \$125.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

A license was issued to-day to John C. Corum, St. Louis and Miss Della B. Smith, Dunksburg.

They Give Up and Die.

One singular feature of the ravages of the small-pox in Russia is that hundreds of the peasants attacked with it make no effort to obtain relief, but simply lie down and die as the least of two evils. They see hunger before them and woe and oppression if they live. If they die they may at least get out of it. If they would rouse up their pluck and energy they would recover, but what would be the good? So they give up and die. And who shall say they are wrong?—*St. Joseph Gazette.*

Ate the Salmon and Died.

A fool Missourian, who lived at Mercer, made a wager that he could eat four cans of salmon, without any crackers in thirty minutes. He won the wager, but in less than thirty minutes his soul was on its way to the eternal home. A great problem has been solved however, and that is that four cans of salmon will kill a fellow.

The Surest Way.

First Outer—I didn't see you in bathing this season.

Second Outer—No, when I want a bath I go canoeing.

Inheritance.

Mrs. Gadd—Does your boy take after you or his father?

Mrs. Gadd—He takes after his father. You can never believe a word he says.

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Cut His Eye-Teeth.

Mr. Gotham—Come back East to live, eh? What was the matter with Dugout City?

Returned Veteran—Too noisy. Couldn't sleep.

Mr. Gotham (to himself)—That town must be booming.

Returned Westerner—I'm not going back there again. I'm going to sell out.

Mr. Gotham (hastily)—Put the figure low and I'll buy.

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Mr. Gotham (a month later)—See here! That property you sold me in Dugout City isn't worth taxes. The town is dead and grass growing in the streets. You said you left because it was so noisy there you couldn't sleep.

Returned Westerner (innocently)—Y-e-s. Can any one sleep with forty million frogs singing under his window?

Mr. Gotham (suddenly reformed)—He-he! Isn't he ridiculous?

Girl Love.

She (greatly smitten by Lord Nabob)—Have you met Lord Nabob?

He (a smart young man)—Yes, and I think it's a shame the way the girls poke fun at him.

(She suddenly reformed)—He-he! Isn't he ridiculous?

Not Gone for Good.

Bad Actor—My! my! The audience is leaving the theater right in the middle of the play.

Cali Boy—They ain't goin' home. They'll be back soon.

Bad Actor—Will they? What did they go out for?

Call Boy—Eggs.

Hard on the Judge.

Judge—Have you anything to say before sentence is passed?

Prisoner—Nuthin', only I wouldn't be here if it wasn't for ignorance of the law.

Judge—Your ignorance of the law is no excuse.

Prisoner—Tain't my ignorance I'm talkin' about. It's yours.

A Conscientious Oysterman.

Tourist—I have always understood that oysters are not good in months without an r.

Oysterman—Well, most genrally they ain't.

Tourist—When do you begin gathering them?

Oysterman—in Orgust.

From the Cyclone Section.

Little Miss (who has been to the opera)—Uncle John, did you ever see "Castles in the Air?"

Uncle Wayback (from the West)—No, my dear, but I've seen houses an' castles in th' air many a time.

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